19 December 1952

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Reverend Philip H. Dunning/ Wilmington Council of Churches 1015 Tatnall Street Wilmington 1, Delaware

My dear Reverend Dunning:

Four letter of December 15th seeking our help in a program you are preparing has been brought to my attention. I think you will understand that the Central Intelligence Agency does not as a matter of policy sponsor or even suggest individuals who might be able to make public appearances in connection with programs of the sort you are planning, and of course we are not in a position to vouch for the affiliations of individuals who may have been behind the "Iron Curtain."

May I suggest that you try some private association of exiles or displaced persons such as the National Committee for a Free Europe in New York which maintains extensive contacts with reputable individuals with the background you seek? Possibly they will be able to suggest someone for your purposes.

Sincerely.

Assistant to the Director

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Gentlemen:

As a part of the group co-operating with the State Crusade for Freedom Committee, we are looking for someone or more persons, in our vicinity who might be able to present their story for radio and television purposes.

We would like people who have been behind the "Iron Curtain" and who know what "The Story Is", who can tell it in reasonably good English, and who would have a clearance from you, as to non-communist affiliation.

This may be out of the question, but we would deeply appreciate any help you could give us on this matter.

Sincerely,

Philip H. Dunning

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